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Hon. Minister, it is decidedly useful to others to whom this is a question of life and death especially when the amalgamation is effected?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"May I know how that affects the question before us."

Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI:—"May I know from the Hon. Minister whether he has issued instructions to the inspecting authorities to state whether the scheme is working satisfactorily?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"As I said, no scheme has yet been put into effect which was prepared by the education authorities. Some local bodies have introduced schemes of their own accord. When those schemes are put into effect, then we shall watch how they work."

Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"Is the general question of amalgamation under consideration?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"The general question was settled by my hon. Friend when he was Minister. Schemes have been prepared but the preparation of details is a very difficult matter and gives rise to a lot of controversy. Individual schemes are under further examination."

Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"Am I to take it that the Hon. Gentleman is hiding behind my decision?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"I am afraid I am very much in the light, Sir."

Mr. P. V. KRISHNAYYA CHOUDARI:—"Is it not a fact that several district boards have asked the Government to say whether if they are prepared to give effect to the scheme, the Government will give them a grant?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"As I said, some local bodies have introduced the schemes with the concurrence of the Government. When applications are received, each case will be decided on its merits."

Allotment of building grants to board secondary schools during the last six years.

* 472 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state the amount of building grants given for board secondary schools in each district during each of the last six years?

A.—The information asked for is given in the annexed statement.[a]

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Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder :—" From a perusal of the statement given in the Appendix, it is found that only Rs. 993 has been given to the Salem District Board for all the six years for which figures are furnished. May I ask, Sir, whether it is due to the board not applying for it or whether the Government did not give more? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—" I cannot say which was the cause to which it was due; most probably, the district board had no schemes ready for execution."

Mr. P. Peddi Raju :—" May I ask the Minister whether the West Godavari District Board was promised a contribution for a laboratory in Tanuku and after the construction was commenced, the Government said there was no money? As the building is not completed, are Government going to give a grant for the building? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—" I cannot say."

Expenditure on account of the Scout and Girl Guides movements since 1925.

* 473 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the expenditure incurred by the Government is on the Scout and Girl Guides movements (each separately) in each year since 1925; and

(*b*) whether there are any proposals under consideration for increasing the expenditure on this activity and if so, what they are?

A.—(*a*) The grants given to the two associations in the last ten years are shown in the following statement:—

Year.	Amount of grant.	
	Boy Scouts Association.	Girl Guides Association.
	RS.	RS.
1925–26	10,000	Nil.
1926–27	10,000	3,000
1927–28	10,000	4,000
1928–29	10,000	4,000
1929–30	10,000	4,000
1930–31	10,000	10,000
1931–32	10,000	8,000
1932–33	7,500	6,000
1933–34	7,500	6,000
1934–35	7,500	4,052
1935–36	7,500	6,000

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